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In response to the Advisory Action dated October 17, 2007, and the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment of the same date, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks.

It is believed that no extension of time is required. If any such extensions of time are required, they are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims should there be any) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038 referencing docket number 01638.0010.NPUS01.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.